

**Township of Bensalem
Homeowners Assistance Grant
Senior Citizens Application - 2016**

Eligibility Criteria - Additional \$150 Homeowners Assistance Grant

1. Applicant must be sixty-five (65) years of age or over by December 31, 2016.
2. Applicant must own the property and it must be your primary residence as of July 1, 2016 for which additional grant money is sought.
3. Only one additional grant is eligible per household.
4. Applicants must qualify as low income. Low income is defined as under \$20,000 per household (year 2015). Total income for the year 2015 includes only 50% of Social Security Benefits.
5. **Applications must be received in the Township's Finance office no later than March 31, 2017.**

**Mail to: Township of Bensalem
 Attn: Finance Department
 2400 Byberry Road
 Bensalem, PA 19020**

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Specific Instructions - Additional \$150 Homeowners Assistance Grant

Part A – Homeowner's Identification

Please complete in full (lines 1-6).

Note: you must own the property and be your primary residence as of July 1, 2016.

Part B – 2015 Household Income

When completing lines 7 through 13, combine the total income received by you and your spouse during 2015.

Income means all income from whatever sources including salaries, wages, bonuses, commissions, income from self-employment, alimony, support money, cash public assistance and relief, the gross amount of any pensions or annuities including railroad retirement benefits, all benefits under the Federal Social Security Act (except Medicare benefits), all income from state unemployment insurance and veterans' disability payments, all interest received from federal and state government, income from capital gains, rentals, workers' compensation insurance benefits and gifts of cash or property in excess of a total value of three hundred dollars (\$300). Income shall not include surplus food or other non-cash relief supplies by a governmental agency or property tax assistance. Review of tax return may be required.

Line 7: Wages, salaries and other compensation

List the total amount received in 2015 by you and your spouse.

Line 8: Social Security, SSI and Railroad Retirement

List 50% of the total combined annual amount received by you and your spouse.

Line 9: Pensions and Annuities

The full amount of all types of pensions and annuities received in 2015 must be included.

Line 10: Interest and Dividends

Include interest and dividends credited or received during 2015 from any source, regardless of whether you actually received the cash.

Line 11: Capital Gains

Include the entire amount of capital gains realized during 2015.

Line 12: Other Income

Report the total amount of all other types of income (including rental) received by you and your spouse during 2015.

Line 13: Total Household Income

Add lines 7 through 12 and enter the total on line 13.

Sign and date application

Attach proof of Income for 2015

[Copy of 2015 1040 tax return(s) or copy of 2015 Social Security 1099(s)]

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All lines must be completed

Part A -- Homeowner's Identification		Part B -- 2015 Household Income	
1. Name	_____	7. Wages, Salaries and Other Compensation	\$ _____
2. Address (as of July 1, 2016)	_____ _____ _____	8. Half of Social Security and Railroad Retirement Benefits (50%)	\$ _____
3. Phone	_____	9. Pensions and Annuities	\$ _____
4. Birth Date	____ / ____ / ____ Month Day Year	10. Interest and Dividends	\$ _____
5. Spouse's First Name	_____	11. Capital Gains	\$ _____
6. Spouse's Birth Date	____ / ____ / ____ Month Day Year	12. Other Income	\$ _____
		13. Total Household Income Attach Proof of Income for 2015	\$ _____
		If line 13 is more than \$20,000 - you do not qualify	

Fraudulent claims will be disallowed in full.

I declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief the above is true, correct, and complete.

Homeowner's Signature _____ Date _____